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Our Mission

Identify and support innovative biomedical research to improve the health of all Arizonans.

About the ABRC Four Core Programs

ABRC is more widely known for its grant funding to the Arizona community. In addition to providing competitively awarded funding for research in Arizona, ABRC recognized its role to help advance Arizona as a bioscience leader. To do this, multiple initiatives were launched guided by input from leaders and professionals from Arizona’s universities, nonprofit research institutions, hospitals, medical centers, and patient advocacy groups. Many of those initiatives have evolved into distinct programs: Research Grants, Arizona Public Cord Blood Program, Arizona Biospecimen Locator, and Research Education.

As a result of funding, these programs have created the following positive impacts for Arizona:

- **A focus on special Arizona population needs**—Projects funded include Valley Fever, rabies transmission models, cures using desert plants, scorpion anti-venom, sun-induced skin cancer, and targeted health promotion and prevention strategies for the Hopi tribe.

- **Additional research dollars brought into Arizona**—Researchers use the projects funded by ABRC to generate the preliminary data needed to apply for larger grants. An additional $1,481,000 in outside funding was secured to continue and further advance their projects.

- **Jobs funded**—ABRC-funded research grants resulted in the employment of 57 Arizonans (percentage basis at either full or part-time). Under the Biospecimen Locator and Cord Blood Programs, ABRC funds a total of 26 positions—15 are full time employees of the program partners.

- **Publications and presentations**—In Fiscal Year 2014, ABRC-funded research grants resulted in 13 articles submitted for publication and 55 invited papers, panels, and presentations.

1. **Research Grants**

   Funding is provided through a competitive grant process to accelerate promising research toward clinical testing and breakthroughs designed to improve the health of all Arizonans. While our strong emphasis is on funding basic and translational research projects to generate preliminary data, we continue to seek innovative projects that leverage all of Arizona’s resources and strengthen collaboration.

   Research Projects supported include those that may advance the prevention and treatment of tobacco-related disease and addiction, and research that is aimed at the causes, epidemiology, and diagnosis of diseases, the formulation of cures, the medically accepted treatment, or the prevention of diseases, including new drug discovery and development; and that may include behavioral studies and attitude assessments.
2. Biospecimen Locator

Acquiring quality biospecimens is one of the largest obstacles researchers face as they strive to advance medical science and improve patient care. The Arizona Biospecimen Locator (ABL) was designed to provide researchers with specimens needed to advance their research studies. The ABL is a web-based biospecimen database of both diseased and normal solid tissues, cells, fluids and molecular samples stored at participating Arizona hospitals and tissue banks. Researchers can use the ABL to search and request biospecimens, which are organized by disease, type of specimen, preservation type, anatomic source and demographics of participants to use in their qualified research studies. Using ABL encourages research collaboration that may lead to more effective treatments and development of potential cures.

The Arizona hospitals that participate in the program and currently link to the ABL include St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center, Maricopa Integrated Health System, and Phoenix Children’s Hospital.

3. Research Education

In working with Arizona researchers and through its commitment to the Arizona Biosciences Roadmap, ABRC identified a need to make high quality educational resources available. The Research Education Program seeks to create a shared sense of community by bringing national and local experts together to engage Arizona researchers and clinical professionals in emerging topics at little or no cost to the research community.

4. Public Cord Blood

The Arizona Public Cord Blood Program was created to advance the collection of and increase the number of cord blood units available for transplantation. Umbilical cord blood is blood that remains in the blood vessels of the placenta and the umbilical cord after the baby is born and the cord has been clamped and cut. It contains hematopoietic stem cells or blood-forming cells (cells that can form other blood cells). These blood-forming cells are also found in bone marrow. In the past, the placenta and umbilical cord were thrown away. Today, the blood can be collected, stored, and made available for transplant to children and adults who have certain genetic or life-threatening diseases such as leukemia or lymphoma.

Currently, seven out of ten people will not have a suitable matched bone marrow donor in their family and will depend on the National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP) registry to find a match. Adding diverse cord blood units to the registry increases the likelihood that all patients will find a match to meet their need for blood-forming cells.

Participating hospitals include Maricopa Integrated Health System, Phoenix Baptist Hospital, St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center in Phoenix, and Tucson Medical Center. This program officially began collection in late 2011. Since the program’s inception, the participating hospitals have collected over 4,000 cord blood units. Of those, 553 have been banked and listed on the registry for potential transplantation. To date, 19 of the banked units have been successfully transplanted.
# Institutional Review Board Directory

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**Research Description**  
The university started in Kirksville, Missouri in 1892 and has four new schools in Arizona: Arizona School of Health Sciences (Mesa), School of Health Management (online school), Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health (Mesa) and the School of Osteopathic Medicine in Arizona. The IRB assists faculty, students and clinicians in applying for and conducting sponsored research projects.

## American Medical College of Homeopathy IRB #1

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**Research Description**  
Homeopathic medical school which provides clinical care and homeopathic research. The AMCH IRB partners with academic and non-academic institutions in their human subject protections programs. AMCH can serve as an institution’s sole IRB or one of an institution’s IRBs for human subject research, through inclusion on an institution’s Federalwide Assurance.
American Naturopathic Research Institute/Naturopathic Oncology Research Institute

IRB #: IRB00009549
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Research Description
The American Naturopathic Research Institute (ANRI) and the Naturopathic Oncology Research Institute (NORI) are co-dependent, non-profit, research institutes focused on studying, understanding, and developing Naturopathically oriented solutions for persistent problems in healthcare. ANRI/NORI have jointly formed this IRB in order to provide oversight of basic and clinical research related to therapeutic interventions and strategies that are based upon the historical imperatives that have shaped the evolution of modern Naturopathic medical practice. Our research oversight includes, but is not limited to, safety and efficacy studies for novel, natural therapeutics as well as study design for use within the clinical setting of independent practitioners to validate safety and efficacy of complex, multi-component therapeutic interventions. This IRB serves an international community with oversight over a number of small, clinician run, independent clinical studies being conducted worldwide as well as several large university-based, federally grant-funded, investigational studies being conducted in the US, Canada and Europe.

American University of Sovereign Nations School of Medicine IRB

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Research Description
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### Research Description

Arizona Christian University (ACU) is a regionally accredited, not-for-profit university in north Phoenix, celebrating its 52nd anniversary of preparing students to transform culture with truth. The IRB Board at ACU is a standing committee to review and approve all research conducted with human participants at ACU. The IRB assumes primary responsibility for providing oversight of human subjects research conducted by individuals affiliated with the university and for maintaining compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies. The current research is primarily exempt status research surveys conducted by student services concerning student satisfaction. Additionally, the behavioral and social sciences department is conducting longitudinal, clinical outcome studies.
Arizona Department of Education IRB #1

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Research Description

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Arizona State University IRB #1—Social Behavioral IRB #2—Bioscience

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IRB #2: IRB00005065

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Research Description
Arizona State University (ASU) has campuses in Tempe, west Phoenix, Mesa and downtown Phoenix. ASU, Northern Arizona University and the University of Arizona established an IRB reciprocity agreement for research projects involving investigators from the three campuses. This agreement allows one campus to become the designated IRB for jointly conducted projects. The IRB is composed primarily of faculty members from disciplines in which research involving human subjects is integral to that discipline’s work, researchers whose primary interests are non-scientific, as well members from the community. The human subjects review process is administered through the Office of Research Integrity and Assurance. The IRB oversees mainly basic research as there is no medical school.

Arizona Western College IRB #1

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Research Description
The college is a multi-cultural learning center which provides associate through graduate degree programs. Arizona Western College has partnered with Northern Arizona University and University of Arizona to provide accessible training and learning for Yuma. The IRB primarily oversees basic research.
ARTIS Research and Risk Modeling IRB #2—Behavioral

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Research Description
ARTIS is a scientific research company that engages in field research to understand international conflict, terrorism, terror networks, decision making, pathways to violence, resource conflict, sacred values and employs sophisticated risk modeling techniques to better define threats to national and international security.

Banner Health IRB #1

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Research Description
Banner Health is a large, nonprofit healthcare system operating in seven states and headquartered in Phoenix, AZ. Banner Health facilities in Arizona are located in Apache Junction, Casa Grande, Gilbert, Glendale, Mesa, Page, Phoenix, San Tan Valley, Scottsdale, Sun City, Sun City West, Surprise, and Tucson. In early 2010 all research activities, programs and entities throughout Banner Health were reorganized under the umbrella of Banner Research. Banner Research is at the leading edge of scientific discovery and innovation, both nationally and internationally. The studies and programs encompassed within Banner Research include Banner Alzheimer’s Institute, Banner Sun Health Research Institute, Banner MD Anderson Cancer Center, and various medical service lines (including Behavioral Health, Cardiovascular Disease, Clinical Delivery, eICU, Emergency Medicine, Interventional Radiology, Medical Education, Neuroscience, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Orthopedics, Pediatrics, Peripheral Vascular Disease, Rehabilitation, Simulation and Innovation, Solid Organ Transplant, Trauma, and Toxicology). Banner Research Administration provides administrative support and oversight for approximately 800 inpatient and outpatient research projects throughout Arizona. Banner Research is committed to encouraging and helping to conduct high quality clinical trials and other research projects that are medically and scientifically important and have strong potential to benefit patients.
Carl T. Hayden VAMC IRB #1

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Research Description

VA investigators participate in programs in the four service areas of the VA research program which include: Health Services Research and Development Service (HSR&D), Clinical Science Research Service (CSR&D), Biomedical/Lab Research and Development (BLR&D) and Rehabilitation Research and Development (RR&D). There are also a number of ongoing industry sponsored clinical trials. The Phoenix VA Health Care System serves veterans in central Arizona at its main medical center in Phoenix and six outpatient VA Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOC) spanning between the East Valley of Phoenix north to Show Low and Payson areas. The Phoenix VA research activities include endocrinology, cardiology, oncology, nutrition, orthopedics, GI medicine, renal disease, pulmonary, mental health, rehabilitation, pharmacy, nursing, sponsored clinical trials and other investigator initiated projects.

Central Arizona College IRB #1

IRB #: IRB00009512

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Research Description

Central Arizona College features three campuses and six centers strategically located throughout Pinal County for the purpose of educating Pinal County’s diverse population. The campuses are Signal Peak Campus near Coolidge, Casa Grande, and Eloy; the Superstition Mountain Campus in Apache Junction, and the Aravaipa Campus near Kearny and Winkelman. The college offers more than 50 degree programs and 90 certificate programs. The IRB is primarily composed of faculty members and reviews human subject research projects from internal and external researchers.
Coconino Community College IRB #1

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Research Description
The college’s formal IRB committee has received few internal research requests, and as a result has been re-structured into a workgroup to meet when required. The college has considered and is interested in partnering with an established IRB that is part of a larger institution. The primary priority of Coconino Community College is student success and tends to encourage research if and when it relates to this objective.

Cognitive Engineering Research Institute IRB #1

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Compass IRB, LLC IRB #1

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Research Description
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Dignity Health—St. Joseph’s IRB #7 IRB #12

IRB #: IRB00002010
IRB00004934

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Research Description
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High Throughput Genomics IRB #1

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HonorHealth IRB #1

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Research Description
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Kingman Regional Medical Center Kingman Hospital, Inc. DBA IRB #1

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**Research Description**  
Kingman Regional Medical Center (KRMC) provides a full range of health and wellness services, including a wellness and fitness center, primary and specialty care physician practices, advanced medical programs in cardiology, cancer, rehabilitation, and home health and hospice care. KRMC has 235 licensed beds and employs over 1,600 employees, 250 volunteers, and 190 physicians/allied health professionals. KRMC is DNV accredited. Most research is within the clinical research protocol.

La Frontera Arizona, Inc. IRB #1

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**Research Description**  
Private, non-profit organization. La Frontera is a community based behavioral health center. La Frontera conducts and participates in numerous research projects.
Research Description
The Maricopa County Community Colleges is comprised of 10 colleges, two skill centers and numerous education centers. Each college is individually accredited, yet is part of a larger system—the Maricopa County Community College District. There are approximately 994 occupational programs (degrees and certificates), 31 academic associate degrees and 8,726 available courses offered. Locations include: Chandler-Gilbert, Estrella Mountain, Gateway, Glendale, Mesa, Paradise Valley, Phoenix, Rio Salado, Scottsdale and South Mountain. The IRB reviews human subject research protocols from internal and external researchers, including grant applications.

Research Description
Midwestern University has locations in Downers Grove, Illinois and Glendale, Arizona. The Glendale campus offers the following (osteopathic philosophy): Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine, College of Pharmacy, Physician Assistant Studies, Occupational Therapy, Bioethics, Health Professions Education, Biomedical Sciences, Cardiovascular Science, Podiatric Medicine, Nurse Anesthesia, Clinical Psychology and College of Dental Medicine.
Navajo Nation Human Subjects Research and Review Board IRB #8

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Northcentral University IRB # 1

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Research Description
Northcentral University (NCU) is a regionally accredited online university. The role of the IRB at NCU is to oversee all research conducted at NCU and to protect the rights, safety and well being of human research participants.
Northern Arizona Healthcare Corporation IRB #1

IRB #: IRB00004812
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Flagstaff, AZ 86001
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Research Description
Northern Arizona Healthcare (NAH) is the largest healthcare organization in Northern and Central Arizona, NAH is the parent corporation of Flagstaff Medical Center, Verde Valley Medical Center, VVMC-Sedona Campus and Northern Arizona Homecare and Hospice. Emphasis is on both biomedical and social and behavioral research.

Northern Arizona University IRB #1

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Research Description
Northern Arizona University has 27,715 students enrolled at its main campus in Flagstaff and at more than 35 sites across the state. NAU offers undergraduate education, graduate programs and research that extend to such national concerns as forest health and bioterrorism. NAU has also integrated on-campus education with distance learning. The Office of the Vice President for Research fosters research, scholarship, and creative activity across campus and ensures responsible management of resources in those endeavors. The establishment of an IRB reciprocity agreement for research projects involving investigators from Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University, and the University of Arizona allows one campus to become the designated IRB for jointly conducted projects.
Northwest Medical Center IRB #1

IRB #: IRB00002228
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Research Description
Northwest Medical Center has two facilities; the other community hospital location is Northwest Medical Center Oro Valley (1551 E. Tangerine Road, Oro Valley, Arizona 520-901-3500). Specialties include obstetrics and gynecology, surgery, cardiology, oncology, neurology and orthopedics. They also operate The Women’s Center, which is a self-contained hospital dedicated to women’s health needs.

Phoenix Children’s Hospital IRB #1

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Research Description
Phoenix Children’s Hospital is Arizona’s only licensed, freestanding children’s hospital, providing world-class care in more than 40 pediatric specialties to our state’s sickest kids. Almost every one of our medical specialty centers is engaged in research, which is governed by our internal Institutional Review Board (IRB). In addition, Phoenix Children’s collaborates with a number of local, regional, and national partners, sharing data with institutions worldwide in the search of the best treatments and cures. The Chan Soon Shiong (CSS) Institute of Molecular Medicine and PCH have partnered to create the CSS Children’s Precision of Medicine Institute at PCH. The new institute will use genomic and proteomic technology to create targeted diagnoses, treatments and cures for pediatric patients facing serious illnesses.
**Pima Community College IRB #1**

**IRB #: IRB00002581**

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Tucson, AZ 85709

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**Research Description**

Academic programs includes 182 transfer and occupational programs, including Business, Health-Related, Social Service, Applied Arts Technologies, Applied Service & Trade Technologies, Engineering & Science Technologies, Transportation Services, Information Technology, Legal and Protective Service, and Education. Campus locations include: Community Campus, Desert Vista Campus, Downtown Campus, East Campus, Northwest Campus, and West Campus. A College Standing Committee oversees all research projects within the college and by college employees involving human subjects.

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**Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF) IRB #1**

**IRB #: IRB00000811**

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Tucson, AZ 85719

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**Research Description**

SAAF is the only community-based organization in Southern Arizona that provides case management and ancillary support services for people living with HIV/AIDS and their families, culturally appropriate prevention and education programs to reduce the rate of infection, and extensive trainings and opportunities for community members to fill critical support roles. SAAF provides free support to nearly 1,200 people and delivers targeted prevention outreach and education programs to over 20,000 people who are at risk for infection.
Southern Arizona VA Healthcare System IRB #1

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Southwest Behavioral Health Services IRB #1

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Southwest College of Naturopathic Medicine and Health Science IRB #1

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Research Description
SCNM offers a four-year professional medical degree in Naturopathic Medicine. Human subjects research projects are conducted at the teaching clinic of SCNM, Southwest Naturopathic Medical Center. SCNM conducts clinical research involving alternative medical treatments, including botanical medicine, nutrition, homeopathy, and other alternative medical modalities.
Summit Healthcare Regional Medical Center IRB #1

IRB #: IRB00007191
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Research Description
Summit Healthcare Regional Medical Center is a not-for-profit organization in Northeastern Arizona. As a regional medical center with 81 licensed beds, Summit responds to the health care needs of more than 90,000 permanent and seasonal residents living in a 3,000 square mile area. In addition to the main campus, Summit Healthcare offers clinics in Heber-Overgaard, Holbrook, and Snowflake as well as numerous physician outpatient offices and diagnostic testing centers. The IRB currently oversees all research occurring within the Summit Healthcare Association. Research topics include adult and pediatric medical, surgical, pharmacological and preventive care, nursing research and humanitarian use device reviews.

Tucson Medical Center (TMC Healthcare) IRB #1

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Research Description
TMC’s campus also serves as home to the Tucson Orthopedic Institute, the Cancer Care Center of Southern Arizona and the Children’s Clinics for Rehabilitative Services.
TUSD External Research Committee IRB #2

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Research Description
We support research in an educational setting.

United Methodist Outreach Ministries, Inc. IRB #1

IRB #: IRB00001054
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Phoenix, AZ 85008
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Research Description
Help homeless, at-risk families to become self-sufficient and independent with the provision of food and shelter, together with a continuum of services that will help families reach self-sufficiency. Had an IRB for a large project in the past but now have a committee for review when involved in small occasional projects.
University of Arizona IRB #1, #2, #4

IRB #1: IRB00000291
IRB #2: IRB00001751
IRB #4: IRB00005448

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Research Description
Oversees human research studies conducted by agents of the University of Arizona.

University of Phoenix IRB #1

IRB #1: IRB00003201

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Research Description
Oversees research studies conducted by members of the University community, including faculty, staff and students. University of Phoenix provides nearby campus locations and online degree programs. The degree programs cover fields such as business and management, communications, criminal justice and security, education, general studies, nursing and health care, human services, psychology, and technology.
Western Human Research Committee IRB #1

IRB #1: IRB00002279

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Research Description
Medical products development. Specializes in the application of computer technology to the solution of clinically relevant problems.

Western IRB

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Research Description
Provides IRB services for institutions doing clinical research studies.
Yuma Regional Medical Center IRB #1

IRB #1: IRB00005998

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Research Description

The Yuma Regional Medical Center Clinical Research Program was established in 2013 and is committed to offering Yuma-area patients advanced cancer and cardiac treatment options through clinical trials. The YRMC Clinical Research Program is an integral part of the new, state-of-the-art Yuma Regional Cancer Center, which is accredited by the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer. Yuma Regional Cancer Center is a free-standing department of Yuma Regional Medical Center with four medical oncologists and two radiation oncologists, providing comprehensive cancer care for Yuma County and surrounding areas. Yuma Regional Medical Center is a 406-bed, not-for-profit hospital dedicated to providing outstanding medical care to the residents of Yuma and the surrounding communities in southwestern Arizona. The Heart Center of Yuma at Yuma Regional Medical Center is the only interventional cardiology services provider in southwest Arizona and offers diagnostic testing and a wide range of interventional and surgical procedures. The Heart Center is staffed by local heart specialists and other medical professionals who, with the aid of advanced technology, deliver a highly personalized level of inpatient and outpatient care.